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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8209

INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY MANILA

USMISSION GENEVA

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: SREF, GU, JA

SUBJ: POLITICAL REFUGEES FROM PHILIPPINES

REF: A. TOKYO 14518; B. MANILA 12621

1. OTTO GOBIUS, REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES, SAID THAT HE HAS KNOWN OF THE CASE OF THE TWO FILIPINOS SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM SINCE JULY OR AUGUST 1973, BUT THAT THE GENEVA HEADQUARTERS OF THE HIGH COMMISSION IS HANDLING THEIR RESETTLEMENT. THE RESETTLEMENT SECTION OF THE GENEVA HQS IS ACTIVELY TRYING TO FIND A COUNTRY WHICH IS WILLING TO TAKE THE TWO, AND HAS CONTACTED INTERNATIONAL RESCUE SERVICE TO THIS END.

2. THE BANGKOK UNHCR OFFICE HAS REMAINED ON THE SIDELINES OF THIS MATTER, INVOLVING ITSELF ONLY IN SUCH ACTIVITIES AS HANDLING COMMUNICATION WITH THE SULTAN OF BRUNEI. THE TWO FILIPINOS, APPARENTLY HAVING HEARD OF GOBIUS, SENT TWO LETTERS TO BANGKOK EXPLAINING THEIR PLIGHT, BUT THESE LETTERS FIRST FOUND THEIR WAY TO NEW YORK AFTER WHICH GOBIUS WAS SENT A COPY. THE UNHCR BANGKOK OFFICE THEN WROTE THE TWO FILIPINOS A LETTER

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WHICH WAS MAILED TO BRUNEI EXPLAINING THAT THE UNHCR WAS IN THE

PROCESS OF TRYING TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE. DUE TO THEIR EARLIER
THAN EXPECTED DEPARTURE, THIS LETTER DID NOT REACH THEM.

3. GOBIUS SUGGESTED THAT THE GENEVA HQS BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION.
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